

New Deputy Mayor & Twp. Committee Member Appointed

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**DEPUTY MAYOR
NEENA SINGH**



**COMMITTEEPERSON
PATRICIA TODD**

At the November 10 meeting of the Montgomery Township Committee, Committeeperson Neena Singh was elected deputy mayor and Patricia Todd was selected to fill the vacant committee seat. This follows the resignation of Deputy Mayor Shelly Bell who took a position with Somerset County earlier in the month.

"I am deeply honored to have this opportunity to serve Montgomery residents as their deputy mayor," said Singh. "I look forward to connecting with and empowering all our residents, and involving them in our local government. Towns with higher levels of civic participation have a greater sense of community civic engagement, and this quality of life objective is close to my heart."

Todd is an attorney who lives in the township with her husband and two children. She currently works for the state in the Civil Service Commission and has helped develop programs responsible for promoting diversity, equity, and inclusion in hiring across state agencies and departments.

“I am honored, humbled and very excited to have the opportunity to serve the Montgomery community,” said Todd. “ I appreciate the trust placed in me by this appointment and look forward to working collaboratively with Mayor Keenan, Deputy Mayor Singh and committee members Schuldiner and Barragan to continue making Montgomery a wonderful place to live.”

The township has seen significant progress over the past year, opening the new municipal center and obtaining nearly \$2 million in grant funds for programs and services. This comes in the wake of Covid-19, which saw the Montgomery Health Department vaccinate over 8,000 residents in less than two years under the Township Committee’s leadership.

In addition to the two new appointments, the committee presented a resolution to former Deputy Mayor Bell thanking her for service on the committee and planning board. As part of the governing body, she liaised with the Montgomery Shade Tree Committee, Youth Advisory Council, Inclusion and Equity Committee, Recreation Committee, Landmarks Commission and Municipal Alliance.